

Claims

1 1. A computer system having an input unit for accepting a user operation to
2 generate a predetermined event, a central processing unit, and a display
3 apparatus, said computer system comprising:

4 a resolution changing unit for changing the resolution of said display apparatus
5 in response to the input event generated by said input unit; and,

6 a window resizing unit for, in response to said event generated by said input
7 unit, resizing a predetermined window displayed on said display apparatus so
8 as to be displayed over almost the entire display screen after the resolution is
9 changed by said resolution changing unit.

1 2. The computer system according to Claim 1, wherein said window resizing unit
2 resizes a window being active before the resolution is changed by said
3 resolution changing unit.

1 3. The computer system according to Claim 1, further comprising a display status
2 restoring unit for holding a display status before the resolution is changed by
3 said resolution changing unit and, when the resolution of said display apparatus
4 is restored to the resolution before being changed, restoring the resolution of
5 said display apparatus to said held display status.

1 4. A computer system comprising:
2 an input unit for accepting a predetermined input; and,
3 a display zoom factor changing unit for changing a display zoom factor by
4 changing the resolution of a display apparatus in response to a request input
5 through said input unit.

1 5. The computer system according to Claim 4, wherein said input unit is an
2 electrical switch.

1 6. The computer system according to Claim 4, wherein said input unit is a key
2 switch provided in addition to key switches of the keyboard used for common
3 inputs.

1 7. The computer system according to Claim 4, wherein said input unit is a button
2 displayed on the display screen of said display apparatus through a graphical
3 user interface.

1 8. The computer system according to Claim 4, wherein said input unit is a voice
2 input apparatus.

1 9. A display control apparatus comprising:

2 an input unit for accepting a predetermined input; and,

3 a display-zoom-in unit for zooming in on a display by lowering the
4 resolution of said display apparatus in response to a request for zooming-in
5 accepted by said input unit.

1 10. The display control apparatus according to Claim 9, wherein said input unit
2 presents display zoom factors provided according to the resolution of said
3 display apparatus controlled by said display-zoom-in unit to a user and accepts
4 a request for zooming in by a selected display zoom factor.

1 11. The display control apparatus according to Claim 9, further comprising a
2 display status restoring unit for holding a display status before the zooming-in
3 by said display-zoom-in unit and, when the display-zooming-in is completed,
4 restores said held display status.

1 12. The display control apparatus according to Claim 9, further comprising window
2 resizing unit for resizing a predetermined window displayed on the display
3 screen of said display apparatus so as to match the display screen zoomed in
4 by said display-zoom-in unit.

1 13. A display control apparatus comprising:

2 an input unit for accepting a predetermined input; and,

3 a display control unit for changing a display zoom factor by changing the
4 resolution of a display apparatus in response to a display zoom factor change
5 request accepted by said input unit, and causing a predetermined window
6 displayed on the display screen of said display apparatus to be displayed over
7 the entire display screen after the resolution is changed.

1 14. The display control apparatus according to Claim 13, wherein said input unit is
2 a hardware switch.

1 15. The display control apparatus according to Claim 13, further comprising a
2 display status restoring unit for holding a display status before a zoom-in by
3 said display control unit, and, when the display-zoom-in is completed, restores
4 said held display status.

1 16. A display apparatus having an input section for inputting display image data
2 and a predetermined command and a display screen for displaying a display
3 image based on input data, wherein:

4 said input section is used for inputting a request for changing a display
5 zoom factor on said display screen as a command input; and,

6 said display screen displays said display image by using a zoom factor
7 responsive to said request for changing the display zoom factor.

1 17. A display control method for controlling the display screen of a display
2 apparatus, comprising the steps of:

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4 accepting a request for changing a display zoom factor on said display screen;
5 and,

6 changing the resolution of said display apparatus to change the display
7 zoom factor of said display screen to a display zoom factor responsive to said
8 request for changing display zoom factor.

1 18. The display control method according to Claim 17, further comprising the steps
2 of:

3 before said step of changing the display zoom factor, storing a display
4 status before the display zoom factor is changed; and,

5 restoring said stored display status when said display zoom factor is
6 restored after the change of said display zoom factor.

1 19. The display control method according to Claim 17, further comprising the step
2 of:

3 after said step of changing the display zoom factor, resizing a
4 predetermined window displayed on said display screen so as to match the
5 display screen after the display zoom factor is changed.

1 20. A storage medium storing a program to be executed by a computer in a form
2 readable by the input unit of said computer, wherein said program causes said
3 computer to perform the processes of:

4 accepting a request for changing a display zoom factor on said display
5 screen; and,

6 changing the resolution of said display apparatus to change the display
7 zoom factor of said display screen to a display zoom factor responsive to said
8 request for changing display zoom factor.

1 21. A program transmission apparatus comprising:

2 a storage unit for storing a program for causing a computer to perform the
3 processes of accepting a request for changing a display zoom factor on said
4 display screen and changing the resolution of said display apparatus to change
5 the display zoom factor of said display screen to a display zoom factor
6 responsive to said request for changing display zoom factor; and,

7 a transmission unit for reading said program from said storage unit to transmit
8 said program.